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Army Corps to add two more weekends to Francis E. Walter Dam 2006 recreational release schedule

PHILADELPHIA (September 29, 2006): The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers today announced that scheduled recreational water releases from Francis E. Walter Dam will continue through Oct. 15, two more weekends than originally planned.

Under the original 2006 short-term flow management plan, this coming weekend (Sept. 30 and Oct. 1) would have marked the final release of the season. However, heavy precipitation in recent weeks has raised the reservoir pool available for additional releases. The revised schedule calls for the following:

- 1,000 cubic feet per second on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1
- 1,200 cubic feet per second on Oct. 7 and 8, and again on Oct. 14 and 15

Weekday releases are also being increased so as to lower the reservoir to its winter pool elevation of 1,300 feet by Oct. 16, at which point dam operations will again be focused solely on flood damage reduction.

This change has been made in coordination with the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission.